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January 14, 2002

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02110

Re: Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy on its own motion, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §§ 76, 94 and 94A, to investigate the appropriateness of the use of Risk-Management Techniques to Mitigate

Natural Gas Price Volatility, D.T.E. 01-100

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed for filing please find the Attorney General's Comments together with a Certificate of Service.

Very truly yours,

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